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PRESIDENT: A majority having voted in the affirmative, LB 236 is declared passed on Final Reading. I think we will now revert to item #6 on our agenda. Senator Marsh, are you prepared to bring our guest forward? We have a distinguished visitor here and Senator Marsh will escort the visitor to the front of the Chamber to the podium. Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, I am honored and pleased this morning to have the pleasure of introducing a very special visitor to our legislative Chamber. This is Mr. Charlie H. Y. Lu who is Senator and Chairman of the Committee on Economic Affairs in his Legislature and a Professor in the College of Agriculture at the National Taiwan University. Please welcome with me Senator and Professor Lu.

SENATOR CHARLIE H. Y. LU: Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, and distinguished Senators, ladies and gentlemen, I am the Senator of Republic China and it is my great honor and a privilege that my wife and I have this opportunity to be the guests of the Department of the State of the United States to visit here in Nebraska. I have been in the United States for many times, even I worked for my postgraduate studies at Cornell University but this is the first time I turn to Nebraska. I am very happy to be here. At this time I would like to introduce my wife, Nancy. I remember very well that first time I came to the United States it was in 1961, twenty-two years ago, when I was 23 years old, and the international farm is exchange program, probably as you know this is a change program between the young farmers of the 4-H members in Republic China and the United States. And once I was asked to give a talk at the Montana State University and when I was introduced myself I come from Taiwan, Republic China, and one of my audience, a student from the Montana State University, raised the hand, said and asked, where is Taiwan? Before I answered the questions, another student raised their hands and answered it, yes, I know, Taiwan is nearly Alaska. And I said, no, Taiwan is not nearly Alaska but Taiwan is an island. There are several names. Maybe you know that it is called Formosa or Republic China or Free China. So this is a story that I come to know. There are culture differences so it makes sometimes very hard to understand where I come from. So I like to say I come from Taiwan, Republic China. Well, and this time I am here and particularly pleased because under the educational and culture changes program in the United States for 30 days. The main purpose is to see, to know more about the daily process in the United States, particularly emphasis